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Sunday Schools.—J. A. Nicholson, G. W. Jarvis, F. G. Mellor, F. W. Henck, S. B. Scott.

Tracts.—P. H. Reed, J. H. Jennings, R. C. Robertson, W. R. Long, J. K. P. Marshall.

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Memoirs.—T. H. Hodge, J. J. Manker, W. T. Senter, J. S. Petty, M. Seaton, M. A. Rule.

General Conference Fund.—J. N. Baker, T. H. Hodge, T. C. Carter.

ORDER OF TAKING COLLECTIONS.

First Quarter.—Sunday School and Tract.

Second Quarter.—Episcopal Fund and Freedman's Aid Society.

Third Quarter.—Missionary and Church Extension.

Fourth Quarter.—Education and Conference Claimants.

The other collections to be taken at such times as the Pastors may deem most suitable.

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G. JULIAN,	Cleveland,	"
S. G. Ketron,	Johnson City,	"
W. Kinsland,	Maynardville,	"
J. D Lawson,	Fair Garden,	"
D. B. LAWTON,	Knoxville,	"
E. S. Lewis,	Chattanooga,	"
J. B. Little,	Well Spring,	"
W. R. LONG,	Mission Ridge,	"

J. W. Mann,	Athens,	Tennessee.
J. J. Manker,	Chattanooga,	"
J. K. P. Marshall,	Cleveland,	"
F. G. Mellor,	Morristown,	"
W. C. Miller,	Chatata,	"
I. H. Miller,	Spring City,	"
J. N. Moore,	Erie,	"
M. M. Murrell,	Panther Springs,	"
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J. F. Perry,	Blue Spring Station,	"
A. C. Peters,	Skene,	"
J. S Petty,	Morristown,	"
P. H. Reed,	Flat Top,	"
D. Richardson,	Dayton,	"
A. B. Riker,	Chattanooga,	"
I. A. Pearce,	Knoxville,	"
R. C. Robertson,	Fair Garden,	"
J. J Robinette,	Cleveland,	"
W. H. Rogers,	Stamper,	"
J. A. Ruble,	Knoxville,	"
M. A. Rule,	Beaver Ridge,	"
T. B. Russell,	Jonesboro,	"
T. H. Russell,	Athens,	"
R. S. Sampson,	Laurel Gap,	"
S. B. Scott,	Crossville,	"
J. B. Seaton,	Maynardville,	"
M. Seaton,	Mountain City,	"
W. T. Senter,	New Market,	"
W. D. Smith,	Ducktown,	"
J. F. Spence,	Knoxville,	"
R. Steudel,	Chattanooga,	"
G. M. Stone,	Madisonville,	"
S. Tinker,		"
T. S. Walker	Fullen's,	"
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A. G. Cadle,	Head of Barren,	"
W. D. Gorman,	Clinton,	"
J. N. Kendall,	Oliver Springs,	"
J. W. McGee,	South Pittsburg,	"
J. L. McKenzie,	May Spring,	"
W. H. Monroe,	Dayton,	"
W. R. McNeese,	Carter's Depot,	"
J. L. Neely,	Decatur,	"
J. D. Winchester,	Hamilton,	"
I. H Reneau,	Fincastle,	"
A. M. Rose,	Richardson's Cove,	"

* Supernumerary. † Superannuated.

DISCIPLINARY QUESTIONS.

1. *Who are received by Transfer, and from what Conference?* A. B. Riker, from the Ohio, and D. S. Hodsden, from the South Kansas Conference. Also I. H. Miller, from the Alabama Conference.

2. *Who are Admitted on Trial?* William D. Gorman, William R. McNeese, James L. Neely, John D. Winchester, and Isaac H. Reneau.

3. *Who Remain on Trial?* A. G. Cadle, J. N. Kendall, J. L. McKenzie, J. W. McGee, M. H. Monroe, A. M. Rose.

4. *Who are Discontinued?* Stanley Haskin.

5. *Who are Admitted into full Connection?* R. K. Boyd, W. R. Byerly, C. O. Jones.

6. *Who are Re-admitted?* None.

7. *Who are Received on Credentials from other Churches?* Robert Steudel, J. W. Dinkins.

8. *What Traveling Preachers have been elected Deacons?* W. R. Byerly, C. O. Jones.

9. *What Traveling Preachers have been ordained Deacons?* Those elected.

10. *What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons?* J. W. Baldwin, G. J. Broome, W. S. Cagle, W. D. Gorman.

11. *What Local Preachers have been ordained Deacons?* The four elected.

12. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the First Class?* W. R. Byerly, C. O. Jones, J. K. P. Marshall, G. B. Cox.

13. *Who are the Traveling Deacons of the Second Class?* There are none.

14. *What Traveling Deacons have been elected Elders?* R. K. Boyd, J. D. Drake, W. T. Jones, M. M. Murrell.

15. *What Traveling Deacons have been ordained Elders?* Those elected.

16. *What Local Deacons have been elected Elders?* H. J. Henry, H. B. Ogle.

17. *What Local Deacons have been ordained Elders?* The two elected.

18. *Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?* M. R. M. Burk, A. J. Bruner, J. N. Baker, F. M. Cones, A. F. Cresswell, J. K. P. Marshall, J. N. Moore, J. D. Lawson, A. G. Watkins, J. W. Burnette, M. C. Bruner, A. E. Barnes, J. B. Li tle, S. Tinker.

19. *Who are the Superannuated Preachers?* W. M. Haskell, L. Bogart, W. C. Graves, W. H. Rogers, A. J. Greer, S. W. Hyden, G. Julian, E. B. Clark.

20. *Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?* This was strictly done as the name of each Preacher was called in open Conference.

21. *Have any Died?* D. Carter, J. F. Morrison, N. G. Taylor.

22. *Have any been Transferred, and to what Conference?* T. C. Warner to the California Conference.

23. *Have any Withdrawn?* None.

24. *Have any been Located at their own Request?* C. O. Jones.

25. *Have any been Located?* None.

26. *Have any been permitted to withdraw under Charges?* None.

27. *Have any been Expelled?* None.

28. *Who are selected for Triers of Appeals?* R. J. Cooke, L. B. Caldwell, R. C. Robertson, M. Seaton, P. H. Reed, W. C. Graves, S. G. Ketron.

29. *What is the Statistical Report for this Conference Year?* (See Tabulated Statements.)

30. *What are the Claims on the Conference Fund?* Not answered.

31. *What has been received on these Claims, and how has it been applied?*

Received by Conference Collections,	$171 00
" " Chartered Fund,	30 00
" " Book Dividend,	151 00
Total,	$352 00

Applied to Conference claimants, under the supervision of the Conference. [See Steward's Report.]

32. *Where are the Preachers Stationed?* See list of Appointments.

33. *Where shall the next Conference be held?* At Cleveland.

APPOINTMENTS.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder, J. J. Robinette, Cleveland, Tenn.
Athens, J. W. Mann.
Athens Circuit, T. H. Russell.
Blue Springs and Sewee, H. H. Burk.
Chatata, W. C. Miller.
Chattanooga, First Church, A. B. Riker.
Cameron Hill and St. Elmo, J. S. Albright, supply.
Mission, J. J. Manker.
Mission Ridge, J. B. Jacobs, supply.
Montgomery avenue, J. D. Drake.
Cleveland, R. J. Cooke.
Cleveland Circuit, J. F. Perry.
Decatur, J. L. Neely.
Ducktown, W. D. Smith.
Madisonville, G. M. Stone.
Ooltewah, John Swiney, supply.
Tellico, to be supplied.
T. C. Carter, Editor *Methodist Advocate*, member First Church Quarterly Conference.
J. F. Spence, President, J. C. Wright, Professor in Grant Memorial University, members of Athens Quarterly Conference.
E. S. Lewis, President, J. J. Manker and Robert Steudel, Professors in Chattanooga University, members of First Church Quarterly Conference.

DAYTON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder, L. B. Caldwell, Athens, Tenn.
Crossville, S. B. Scott.
Dayton, M. H. Monroe.
Graysville, D. Richardson
Hamilton, J. D. Winchester.
Hill City, to be supplied.
Jasper, to be supplied.
Pikeville, to be supplied.
South Pittsburg, J. W. McGee.
Spring City, I. H. Miller.
Tracy City, T. A. Cass.
Tracy City Circuit, to be supplied.
Walden's Ridge, J. S. Evans, supply.

GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder, T. B. Russell, Jonesboro, Tenn.
Elizabethton and Roan Mountain, B. Crist.
Ervin, F. H. Little, supply.
Fall Branch, G. B. Cox.
Fullens, T. S. Walker.
Greeneville, J. H. Amis.
Greeneville Circuit, T. H. Hodge.
Johnson City, S. G. Ketron.
Jonesboro, to be supplied.
Jonesboro Circuit, A. Bunn, supply.
Kingsport, J. H. Jennings.
Oakland, R. S. Sampson.
Taylorsville, Moses Seaton.
Watauga, W. R. McNeese.
J. B. Fitzgerald, Agent Warren, Collegiate Institute, member Fullens Quarterly Conference.

KINGSTON DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder, A. C. Peters, Skene, Tenn.
Boatland and Wolfe River, A. B. Hall, supply.
Clinton and Coal Creek, J. A. Baker.
Clinton Circuit, W. D. Gorman.
Jamestown, to be supplied.
Kingston, F. W. Heneck.
Kingston Circuit, C. Steward, supply.
Newcomb and Jellico, to be supplied.
New River, to be supplied.
Oliver Springs, J. N. Kendall.
Rockwood, W. T. Jones.
Scarborough, S. Greear.
Sunbright and Oakdale, A. B. Wright.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder, J. S. Petty, Morristown, Tenn.
Emert, A. M. Rose.
Fair Garden, R. C. Robertson.
Knox Circuit, T. R. West.
Knoxville, Asylum Street, J. A. Ruble.
Knoxville, Clinch Street, I. A. Pearce.
Little River, P. H. Henry.
Loudon, to be supplied
Loveville, R. O. Ayers.
Maryville, D. S. Hodsden.
New Market, W. T. Senter.
New Salem, M. A. Rule.
Sevierville, J. A. Nicholson.
Thorn Grove, J. M. Durham.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

Presiding Elder, G. W. Jarvis, Rogersville, Tenn.
Big Valley, J. L. McKenzie.
Fineastle, I. H. Reneau.
Maynardville, J. B. Seaton.
Morristown, F. G. Mellor.
Morristown Circuit, J. L. Cardwell.
Newport, to be supplied.
Parrottsville, M. M. Murrell.
Rogersville, W. R. Byerly.
Rutledge, Wm. Kinsland.
Sneedville, G. M. Hicks, supply.
Speedwell, A. G. Cadle.
Tazewell, A. Y. Snavely.
Whitesburg, P. H. Reed.
R. K. Boyd, left without appointment that he may attend one of our schools.

Holston Conference Journal.

DAILY BUSINESS SESSIONS.

Clinch Street, M. E. Church,
Knoxville, Tennessee, October 12, 1887.

The Holston Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in its twenty-third annual session in this city this morning at nine o'clock, Bishop E. G. Andrews, of Washington, D. C., presiding.

The Conference was opened by singing hymn 770, "I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord." In this the ministers all joined and gave evidence of the interest they have in the Christian work.

Bishop Andrews read the LIII. chapter of Isaiah and selections from the New Testament.

After the singing of hymn 393, "Just as I am, without one plea," the administration of the Lord's Supper took place under the personal supervision of Bishop Andrews, assisted by the Presiding Elders. This was an impressive ceremony.

Rev. T. B. Russell, last year's Secretary, called the roll, and forty-two members were present and answered to their names.

T. B. Russell was then re-elected Secretary with T. S. Walker and J. H. Amis, Assistants.

J. S. Petty was elected Statistical Secretary, with T. H. Hodges, J. F. Perry and C. O. Jones, Assistants.

On motion it was agreed that Conference should meet at 8:30 and adjourn at 11:45 a. m., and that the first half hour would be devoted to prayer meeting services.

A motion was then made and carried that the Presiding Elders should constitute a committee whose duty it should be to nominate suitable persons for the Standing Committees. Their report was presented by J. J. Robinette and adopted. [See Standing Committees.]

The Bar of the Conference was fixed at the opposite side of the third window from the pulpit.

The Bishop stated that the Conference was authorized to draw on the Chartered Fund for $30; also on the Book Concern, a dividend of $151, and the drafts were ordered.

A paper on Episcopal Fund was referred to the Presiding Elders.

A paper on General Conference Expenses was referred to the proper committee.

Question eighteen was called: "Who are the Supernumerary Preachers?" The following were called and passed under this class: T. A. Cass, M. R. M. Burk, A. J. Bruner, J. N. Baker, F. M. Cones, A. F. Creswell, J. B. Fitzgerald, J. K. P. Marshall, J. N. Moore, J. D. Lawson, A. G. Watkins, J. W. Burnett and S. Tinker, the latter being transferred from the superanuated list to supernumerary list.

Question nineteen: "Who are the Superanuated Preachers?" The following were found under this class: W. M. Haskell, L. Bogart, W. C. Graves, W. H. Rogers, A. J. Greer, S. W. Hyden, D. B. Lawton, G. Julian.

W. R. Long was transferred to the effective class from the superanuated.

Dr. A. E. P. Albert, Editor of the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*, published at New Orleans, was present and being introduced to the Conference by Bishop Andrews, made a few appropriate remarks. He urged upon the ministers the importance of a more united work among the white and colored Methodists of the South.

The twentieth question was taken up: "Was the Character of each Preacher Examined?" and J. J. Robinette, Presiding Elder of the Chattanooga District, after the passage of his character, read his report, and the effective Elders of his district, namely, H. H. Burk, W. C. Miller, R. J. Cooke, J. F. Perry, W. D. Smith, G. M. Stone, T. C. Carter, R. S. Sampson, J. F. Spence, F. W. Henck, E. S. Lewis and J. J. Manker were approved.

The Bishop announced the transfer of T. C. Warner to the Southern California Conference.

Continuing the examination of character and the reports of Districts, T. B. Russell, Presiding Elder of the Greeneville District, next read a report of the progress and proceedings in his district, which shows that he has put in a year of arduous labor; that he is thoroughly familiar with every department of the work, and that the results are such as must be very gratifying. Then the following Elders were approved: E. B. Clark, F. G. Mellor, T. H. Hodge, S. G. Ketron, T. S. Walker, M. Seaton and B. Crist.

At his own request E. B. Clark was granted a superannuated relation and he was allowed to draw upon the funds of the present year.

On motion the Conference adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of receiving statistical reports and benevolent money.

Benediction, by W. C. Graves.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference assembled pursuant to adjournment, W. H. Rogers in the chair. Devotions conducted by E. S. Lewis.

On motion F. W. Henck was made Treasurer of Church Extension collections instead of J. A. Ruble.

W. M. Haskell was placed on the Committee on Tracts.

On motion the Conference adjourned, W. M. Haskell pronouncing the benediction.

SECOND DAY.

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, October 13, 1887.

The Conference met at the appointed hour. The service was conducted by Rev. M. A. Rule.

The first day's proceedings were read and passed after roll call.

Statistical Secretary, Rev. J. S. Petty, announced that he would receive additional reports during the morning session.

Question twenty was resumed, namely, the passage of each Elder's character.

L. B. Caldwell, Presiding Elder of the Kingston District, after the passage of his character, represented the District of which he has charge, and the effective Elders were approved as follows: S. B. Scott, A. E. Barnes, A. C. Peters, D. Richardson, A. B. Wright, J. C. Wright and T. H. Russell.

J. W. Mann, Presiding Elder of the Knoxville District, read his report, his character having been approved, and the effective Elders of his District were passed as follows: R. C. Robertson, W. C. Daily, I. A. Pearce, P. H. Henry, J. A. Nicholson, J. M. Durham, W. T. Senter, M. A. Rule, J. A. Baker, R. O. Ayers, J. A. Ruble.

Rev. W. C. Daily was placed on the Supernumerary list at his own request.

T. R. West, Presiding Elder of the Morristown District, was approved and he read his report, after which the effective Elders of said District were passed as follows: J. B. Little, J. H. Amis, W. Kinsland, J. S. Petty, P. H. Reed, J. L. Caldwell, G. W. Jarvis, S. Greear.

The character of J. B. Seaton, against whom some charges were preferred, was continued until he could be present in person.

Rev. T. S. Walker offered appropriate resolutions of condolence in which the Conference extended to Rev. J. A. Ruble and wife its heartfelt sympathies in their affliction, caused by the recent loss of a child.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees of Grant Memorial University was presented and read by Dr. Spence. The report was accepted and referred to the Committee on Education.

Dr. A. J. Kynett, Secretary of the Church Extension Society, was introduced by Bishop Andrews and made a few plain and practical remarks concerning church extension work.

Rev. A. L. S. Bateman, of the Ohio Conference, was introduced.

Adjourned, with the benediction, by Rev. W. H. Rogers.

THIRD DAY.

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, October 14, 1887.

The Conference assembled at the usual hour, the prayer meeting being led by J. J. Manker. Bishop Andrews took the chair at 9 o'clock and the Journal was read and approved.

On motion of Thomas B. Russell, 10 o'clock was fixed as the order of the day for the election of delegates to the General Conference which will convene in New York, May 1st, 1888.

A. E. Barnes was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request.

Rev. C. D. Munsey, of the Cincinnati Conference, was introduced.

The fifth question: "Who are Admitted into full Connection?" was taken up, whereupon R. K. Boyd, C. O. Jones and W. R. Byerly, after answering the disciplinary questions, were duly admitted, and C. O. Jones and W. R. Byerly were elected to Deacons' Orders. R. K. Boyd having been ordained as a Local Deacon he was elected to Elders' Orders.

The order of the day was taken up, E. S. Lewis, J. A. Nicholson, G. W. Jarvis, B. Crist, W. C. Daily and J. D. Droke being appointed tellers. The first ballot resulted in the election of Dr. T. C. Carter; the second in the election of Dr. J. F. Spence; the third in the election of J. J. Robinette and T. S. Walker, reserves.

Dr. P. M. Bartlet, President of Maryville College, was introduced to the Conference.

Question fourth: "Who are Discontinued?" was called. Under this question Stanley Haskin was, on motion of Dr. Caldwell, discontinued on account of ill health.

Question third: "Who Remain on Trial?" Answer: J. N. Kendall, A. M. Rose, J. L. McKenzie, J. W. McGee, A. G. Cadle and M. H. Monroe. The last two did not pass the examination in the first year's course of study.

J. K. P. Marshall and G. B. Cox were continued as Deacons of the first class.

M. M. Murrell, W. T. Jones, J. D. Droke, were duly elected to Elders' Orders.

J. B. Little was granted a supernumerary relation at his own request.

Rev. Robert Steudel, of the Presbyterian Church, was received and recognized as a Traveling Elder.

Rev. J. W. Dinkins, coming from the Baptist Church, was recognized as a Local Elder.

Conference adjourned by limitation, W. C. Daily pronouncing the benediction.

FOURTH DAY.

KNOXVILLE TENNESSEE, October 15th, 1887.

The Conference met at 8:30 o'clock, W. C. Daily leading the the prayer meeting.

At 9 o'clock the Journal was read, approved and business resumed.

On motion of Dr. Cooke the Bishop was requested to appoint Rev T. C. Carter, D. D., Editor of *The Methodist Advocate.*

On motion of Dr. Carter R. K. Boyd was allowed to go without appointment in order to attend school.

The case of J. B. Seaton was called. He explained why he had not filled his appointments and his character passed.

Cleveland was selected as the place for holding the next Conference.

The question of limitation of the ratio of representation in the General Conference was presented and lost by a vote of 9 ayes and 32 nays.

On motion of Dr. Caldwell M. C. Bruner was continued in the Supernumerary relation.

Question second : "Who are admitted on Trial ?" was taken up, and James L. Neely, from the Chattanooga District, John D. Winchester, from the Kingston District, William R. McNeese, from the Greeneville District, Isaac H. Reneau, from the Knoxville District, and William D. Gorman, from the Morristown District were duly admitted.

Under question tenth : "What Local Preachers have been elected Deacons ?" G. W. Broome, W. D. Gorman, J. W. Baldwin and W. S. Cagle were severally elected.

Question sixteen : "What Local Deacons have been elected Elders ?" was taken up, and H. J. Henry and H. B. Ogle were elected.

Rev. A. P. Smith, of the Baptist Church, Rev. D. N. McInturff and Dr. C. S. Long, of the Blue Ridge Conference, and

Rev. Dr. Stowe, of the Western Book Concern, were introduced to the Conference, and Dr. Stowe represented the Book Concern at Cincinnati as being in a prosperous condition.

The Committee on Bible Cause reported, and the report was adopted on motion of Dr. Spence.

The Committee on Education reported through its chairman, President Lewis, and the report was approved by items and then adopted as a whole.

On motion of Dr. Spence the Conference agreed to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and on motion of W. M. Haskell it agreed to meet in its final session for the present year at 8 o'clock Monday morning, the 17th.

Dr. J. H. Vincent was introduced and spoke with great interest to the Conference in respect to the Sunday School work of our Church.

Conference adjourned by expiration of time.

Benediction by W. R. Long.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Conference met agreeable to motion above, Dr. Clark in the chair. Religious services by Dr. Carter.

H. H. Burk, Treasurer of Episcopal Fund, reported, and the report was adopted.

W. T. Senter, Treasurer of the Educational Society, presented his report, and on motion of Dr. Manker the amount on hand was appropriated to some needy Theological Students in Chattanooga University.

Dr. Manker then read the report of the Committee on Church Extension, including amounts collected for the same, and on motion the report was adopted, and the money ordered paid to Dr. Stowe, our Book Agent at Cincinnati.

G. B. Cox read the report of the Conference Stewards, which, on motion of Dr. Manker, was re-committed, Dr. Manker and J. B. Fitzgerald being added to the Board on motion of T. H. Russell.

B. Crist read the report of the Committee on Freedman's Aid, including money received therefor, and the report was adopted.

J. N. Baker, Treasurer of the General Conference Expense Fund, reported and the report was adopted and the money paid to Dr. Stowe.

G. W. Jarvis, Treasurer of the Conference Missionary Society, read his report and the money received was paid to Cranston and Stowe, for which the treasurer holds receipt.

On motion of Dr. Manker the Conference adjourned and Dr. Spence pronounced the benedcition.

FIFTH DAY.

KNOXVILLE, TENNESSEE, October 17th, 1887.

The Conference met at 8 o'clock, a. m., Bishop Andrews in the chair. W. H. Rogers led the prayer meeting. The minutes of Saturday's Session were read and approved.

J. A. Ruble read the report of the Committee on Temperance, which was adopted.

J. H. Amis read the report on District Conference Records and it was approved.

G. B. Cox presented and read the report of the Conference Board of Stewards, distributing the money on hand among the claimants. [See Report.] A special collection was taken for Mrs. Cobleigh, amounting to $24.50, and one for Rev. E. B. Clark, amounting to $15. These collections were suggested by Dr. Spence.

J. B. Fitzgerald presented a lot of ground to the Conference by deed of conveyance, for the benefit of Conference Claimants, and the same was thankfully received.

The Statistical Secretary, J. S. Petty, read the statistical tables in their general aggregates and the report was adopted. [See Statistics.]

W. M. Haskell reported the collections for the Tract cause, which report was approved.

The Committee on Sunday Schools reported through J. A. Nicholson and the report was approved.

The memoir of Rev. N. G. Taylor, D.D., was read by Dr. Manker and approved by the Conference.

On motion of T. B. Russell J. B. Fitzgerald was placed on the effective list. T. A. Cass was placed on the same list on motion of J. J. Robinette.

The Bishop announced the transfer of D. S. Hodsden from the South Kansas, and A. B. Riker from the Ohio Conferences.

C. O. Jones was granted a location at his own request.

Dr. T. C. Carter addressed the Conference in regard to the *Methodist Advocate* and *The Southland Reading Circle.*

Various complimentary resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted. [See Resolutions.]

President Lewis made some statements in reference to the Chattanooga University.

Committees of examination and other Conference officers for the ensuing year were announced by the Bishop.

Thomas B. Russell read the report of the Committee on Missions which was concurred in by the Bishop and adopted by the Conference.

Dr. Spence moved, that after the closing religious service and reading the appointments, the Conference stand adjourned, and the motion prevailed. Rev. W. C. Daily led in prayer, and the Bishop made appropriate remarks and read the appointments. Benediction by the Bishop.

EDWARD G. ANDREWS,
Presiding Bishop.

THOMAS B. RUSSELL,
Secretary,

REPORTS.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The educational interests of this Conference are numerous and important, and furnish a strong basis for confidence in the development and permanence of the general work of our Church in the South. The year has been a prosperous one, and its close finds larger numbers, both of students and instructors, at work in our institutions of learning, than ever before. Better advantages continually open before our young men and women, and better results attend their labors. Our Universities and Seminaries merit a large tribute of attention at the hands of all our people.

GRANT MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY.

At no time in the history of this Institution has there been such prosperity as during the year now closing. The enrollment for the past year was 303.

The Faculty consists of 14 teachers. The endowment fund has been greatly increased from bequests, subscriptions, donations and pledges; nearly $100,000 has been secured. We heartily endorse Grant University and commend it to our people.

Resolved, That we request the Bishop to appoint Dr. John F. Spence, President, and Rev. J. C. Wright, Professor, in Grant Memorial University, and that we confirm the following Trustees for said Institution:

Term to expire in 1889—John F. Spence, J. H. Hornsby, David A. Bolton, J. K. P. Marshall, Halbert B. Case.

CHATTANOOGA UNIVERSITY.

This Institution was formally dedicated on the closing day of the last Conference session. Whatever may be said of external embarrassments, its scholastic work has been prosecuted with zeal and much success. The exercises of Commencement

week were numerous and interesting, and showed the high order of the work accomplished. The new year has begun with a fair attendance of students, and the prospects are excellent. New students are constantly arriving, and a new measure of confidence in the institution is manifest in the community. Its central location, its magnificent equipment, its strong faculty, and its broad plans for ministering to the educational necessities of all our white Conferences in the Central South, commend it to the sympathies and the support of all our people.

Resolved, That we hereby request the presiding Bishop to appoint Rev. E. S. Lewis, A. M., President of, and Rev. J. J. Manker, D. D., and Rev. Robert Steudel, Professors, in Chattanooga University ; and

Resolved, That the Conference elect Rev. A. B. Riker a Trustee in the same University, for the term of three years.

WARREN COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.

This Institution is having continued prosperity.

Prof. J. M. Williams, Prof. E. A. Long, Miss Mary Luter, and Miss Bell Long, all former students of the Grant Memorial University, compose the Faculty.

With this strong corps of teachers this Institution offers advantages equal to any school in upper East Tennessee.

Resolved, That we commend the aforesaid school to our people and the friends of a liberal education within the bounds of its patronizing territory.

POWELL'S VALLEY SEMINARY.

The Trustees of this Institution report unusual prosperity. The enrollment the past year was very gratifying.

The school is now under the direction of Prof. J. W. P. Massey, as Principal, and I. A. Armstrong, Assistant, both graduates of Grant University. Some improvements have been made upon the property of this Institution during the past year. We heartily commend this school to the friends of a liberal education.

PARROTTSVILLE SEMINARY.

This Institution is located in the pleasant and growing village of Parrottsville, Cocke County, Tennessee.

The property is valued at $4,000, and has recently been secured and deeded to the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The building is large and with ample room for 200 students' It has entered upon its first year's work and already has an enrollment of 80 students.

We welcome this seminary into the ranks of our Academical Schools and commend it to the people of its patronizing territory.

OAKLAND SEMINARY,

Located at Laurel Gap, Greene County, Tennessee, has a splendid building, and is admirably located. There are some fifteen cottages where students may board themselves.

While this Institution is only five years old, it had during the past year four of its students in the Senior Class of the Grant University.

Prof. J. M. Bailey, A. M., Principal, is aided by a corps of able teachers; this school gives promise of great usefulness to the Church.

KINGSLEY SEMINARY.

For ten years this Institution has been under the able management of Prof. Joseph H. Ketron, A. M.

It is located in upper East Tennessee, near the Virginia line, and has a large patronizing territory. The Principal, Prof. Ketron, is not only a successful educator in the literary field, but a faithful Christian toiler, training his students for Christ and the Church.

We most heartily commend this school to our people in upper East Tennessee.

Resolved, That we appoint Dr. Spence, Dr. Mann,and W. T. Senter a special Committee to consider what ought to be done with our school property in New Market and report to the Conference before adjournment. J. F. SPENCE,

Chairman.

E. S. LEWIS,

Secretary.

CHURCH EXTENSION.

Not only do the magnificent plans and splendid achievements of the Board of Church Extension command our admiration, but the generous aid afforded us within the bounds of our Conference should excite our gratitude and call forth our most cordial support.

We believe that in proportion as our people come to a knowledge of the work done and contemplated by the Board of Church Extension, they will respond by their contributions to the demands made upon them for its support. Therefore,

Resolved, That every Pastor in the Holston Conference be earnestly requested and is hereby instructed to make a full and careful presentation of the claims of the Board of Church Extension in every Congregation under his charge, and endeavor to secure the full amount of the assessment for this cause upon his charge.

Resolved, That the Conference Board of Church Extension be and is hereby instructed to consider, in recommending applications for aid to the Parent Board, the response made in the several Districts to the demands made upon them as shown in the Collections for Church Extension.

J. J. MANKER,
Chairman.

FREEDMAN'S AID SOCIETY.

Resolved, That we will not forget the interests of this Society of our beloved Church, and that we will faithfully comply with the requirements of the Discipline of the Church in taking up our collections for this important work.

THOMAS H. RUSSELL,
Chairman.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

WHEREAS, The Sunday School has resulted in so much good in educating and training the young for useful service in the Church, and

WHEREAS, A very large per cent. of the conversions and accessions to the Church are members of the Sunday School, therefore,

Resolved, That we will do all we can to get our young people (and not neglect the old) to attend our Sunday Schools.

Resolved, That we believe the Literature published by our Church is preeminently the best for our people, and will therefore urge them to take it.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE RECORDS.

The minutes of the Knoxville and Morristown Districts are in good condition, properly recorded, while those of the Chattanooga, Kingston and Greeneville Districts are in manuscript form.

It is due the Secretary of the Greeneville District to say that he prepared a copy for publication which the Committee on Publication failed (perhaps for want of means) to publish.

J. H. AMIS,
Chairman.

MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Missions report the following Appropriations:

Chattanooga District	$100.
Athens	100.
Chattanooga.—Cameron Hill and St. Elmo	100.
" Mission Ridge	80.
" Montgomery Avenue	100.
Cleveland	100.
Ducktown	100.
Madisonville	20.
Ooltewah	50.
Tellico	50.
Total	$800.
Dayton District	$200.
Crossville	40.
Dayton	75.
Hill City	75.
Pikeville	50.
South Pittsburg	75.
Spring City	65.
Tracy City	90.
Tracy City Circuit	40.
Walden's Ridge	50.
Total	$460.
Greeneville District	$100.
Elizabethton and Roan Mountain	75.
Ervin	40.
Greeneville	60.
Johnson City	75.
Watauga	50.
Total	$400.
Kingston District	$200.
Boatland and Wolf River	50.
Clinton and Coal Creek	50.
Clinton Circuit	40.
Jamestown	50.
Kingston	60.
Kingston Circuit	50.
Newcomb and Jellico	50.

New River	40.
Oliver Springs	50.
Rockwood	75.
Scarborough	50.
Sunbright and Oakdale	75.
Total	$840.
Knoxville District	
Emert	$ 50.
Knoxville.—Asylum Street	300.
Total	$350.
Morristown District	$180.
Maynardsville	40.
Morristown	300.
Morristown Circuit	30.
Newport	50.
Parrottsville	40.
Rutledge	20.
Sneedville	50.
Speedwell	30.
Tazewell	60.
Whitesburg	50.
Total	$850.
Grand Total	$4,000.

J. W. MANN,
Chairman.

THOMAS B. RUSSELL,
Secretary,

I concur in the above appropriations.

E. G. ANDREWS.

Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 17, 1887.

DEACONS AND ELDERS ORDAINED.

This certifies that, in Knoxville, Tenn., on the 16th day of October, A. D., 1887,

WM. R. BYERLY, CHARLES O. JONES,
GEORGE BROOME, WM. D. GORMAN,
JOHN W. BALDWIN, and WINFIELD S. CAGLE were ordained Deacons in the Methodist Episcopal Church; and that at the same place and on the same day

MELLVILLE M. MURRELL, WM. T. JONES,
JACOBUS D. DROKE, RUFUS K. BOYD,
HUGH J. HENRY, and HORATIO B. OGLE were duly ordained Elders in the same Church.

EDWARD G. ANDREWS.

AUDITING COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We have examined the accounts of the Presiding Elders and found them correct.

SAMUEL GREEAR,
Chairman

BIBLE CAUSE.

The following statements will show what has been done in our own land during the past year in the distribution of the Holy Scriptures: Families visited, 639,000; families supplied, 49,903; individuals supplied, 22,892; number of Bibles and Testaments circulated last year, 1,447,270, of which 469,665 were circulated in foreign lands. Total number of issues 48,324,916.

It is with regret that we report the receipts of the American Bible Society $50,000 less than the previous year.

With these facts before us we feel it to be our duty as a Conference to put forth increased efforts to raise our collections to a higher standard for this most worthy cause.

W. H. ROGERS,
Chairman.

STEWARD'S REPORT.

Received by Conference collections	$171 00.
" " Chartered Fund	30 00.
" " Book Dividend	151 00.
Total Received	$352 00.

DISBURSED AS FOLLOWS:

Mrs. Cobleigh	$30,	Paid to	Dr. Spence.
" Henry	20,	" "	P. H. Henry.
" Duggan	10,	" "	G. M. Stone.
" Forester	20,	" "	A. C. Peters.
" Ballenger	10,	" "	W. H. Rogers.
" Murphy	10,	" "	W. M. Haskell.
" Hughes	20,	" "	M. Seaton.
" Milburn	10,	" "	E. B. Clark.
" Guthrie	25,	" "	John Swiney.
" Morrison	25,	" "	T. S. Walker.
" Still	5,	" "	J. F. Perry.
" Ingle	10,	" "	Secretary.

S. W. Hyden, ...	$10,	Paid to	Himself.
L. Bogart, ...	15,	" "	J. A. Baker.
W. C. Graves, ...	25,	" "	Himself.
W. M. Haskell, ...	25,	" "	Himself.
A. J. Greer, ...	13,	" "	T. R. West.
W. H. Rogers, ...	25,	" "	Himslf.
D. B. Lawton, ...	20,	" "	Himself.
E. B. Clark, ...	25,	" "	Himself.
Total Disbursed, . . .	$353.		

GEORGE B. COX,
Chairman.

NOTE.—The report on Temperance did not come into the hands of the Secretaries.—*Editor.*

MEMOIRS.

REV. DANIEL CARTER.

Bro. Carter was born and raised in Jefferson county (where his entire life was spent) in 1813 and was converted in early life. Was licensed to preach, about the year 1850, and worked as a Local Preacher until the re-organization of the Methodist Episcopal Church, when he became a member of this Conference in which he did six or seven years' work. During the last several years he has held a Superannuated relation, doing what labor he could in the ministry. He loved the Church, and aided it out of his means to the best of his ability. He died in faith, August 30th, 1887.

REV. JOHN W. HOLDEN.

Died suddenly, of hemorrhage of the lungs, in Titusville, Fla., Rev. J. W. Holden.

The subject of this notice was born at Connersville, Tenn., October 29, 1858. Early in life he gave his heart to Jesus and cast in his lot with God's people in the McKendree M. E. Church South, Tennesse, whither the family had moved. From that period until his death his life has been one continued sermon, illustrative of the religion he professed.

He loved the House of God, and was never absent from any of its services unless providentially hindered. Like his blessed Master, he went about doing good. Always ready to speak a word of warning, counsel or encouragement to those whom he met.

While living at Nashville, Tenn., he became a member of the Young Men's Christian Association, and engaged in this work with all his heart. He carried the glad news of salvation through Jesus' blood, not only to those whom he chanced to meet by the way, but also to the prisoner in his cell—to the house of the destitute and the bedside of the sick and dying. He was instant in season, and out of season.

After some time, the family removing to Cincinnati, Ohio, he placed his membership in the St. Paul M. E. Church, and was transferred to the Young Men's Christian Association there. Soon after he became a teacher in the Sabbath School, and was chosen class leader in the church.

Here he began preparations for the full work of the ministry —his chosen life-work—when he was stricken down with that dread disease, consumption. After he had somewhat recovered from this first attack, the family removed to Chattanooga, Tenn., where his health was very much improved. He afterward joined the Holston Conference, East Tenn., and entered upon his first charge in the Asylum Street M. E. Church, Knoxville, where he preached about thirteen months, when on account of failing health, he was compelled to give up work there and seek a milder climate. During his eight months sojourn in Florida, he was a sufferer most of the time, but until the last three months of his life he was able to go about and do some business. He bore his sickness with christian patience and fortitude, awaiting the summons to come up higher, and receive the glorious reward.

"Blessed are they that do His commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city."

NATHANIEL G. TAYLOR, D.D.

Nathaniel G. Taylor was born of wealthy and influential parents at Elizabethton, Carter County, Tennessee, December 29th, 1819. His early life was favorable to the development of the noble traits of which he was by nature possessed. The home was pervaded by the sweet and holy influences of a consistent religious life, as well as the refinement and elegance of the best society of the State.

After a careful preparatory training in the best schools of his native East Tennessee, Nathaniel was graduated in the full classical course, in Princeton College, receiving the first honors of his class, in 1840.

He then studied law and entered upon the practice of his profession. Very soon after this, about 1841, he attended a Camp-meeting at the old Brush Camp-ground, where an inci-

dent occurred which gave a new impulse and direction to his entire after life. One evening just at the beginning of the service a severe thunder storm arose. In company with his sister, a beautiful and accomplished young lady who had just graduated and returned from College, he with another young gentleman stood in the door of the tent gazing with admiration and awe upon the angry heavens, when by a lightning stroke, his sister and the young man at her side fell dead at his feet. In that awful moment the ambitions and honors upon which his heart had been fixed were revealed to his mind in their true light as the merest trifles, and the solemn realities of eternity were seen and felt to be man's chief and highest concern. From that hour he was a new man. He immediately sought religion, was converted, and at once began to employ his almost matchless eloquence in calling sinners to repentance. From that time until his death he continued to preach, not, indeed, as a regular traveling preacher, but in connection with his ordinary business and political engagements. He served two terms in the U. S. Congress, and was Commissioner of Indian Affairs during President Johnson's administration. His public addresses throughout the State of Tennessee in behalf of the Union during the exciting discussions on the subject of secession, and his appeals before New England audiences in behalf of his suffering fellow citizens of East Tennessee during the war, were perhaps his most notable public service.

It is said that Edward Everett pronounced the speech delivered by Dr. Taylor in Fanuil Hall, Boston, to be one of the greatest ever delivered in America by any orator on any occasion.

The mighty persuasive power of those New England speeches was evidenced by the sum of nearly or quite $200,000 contributed in the North for the relief of the suffering people of East Tennessse.

Dr. Taylor was a Lay Delegate from the Holston Conference in the General Conference in 1872, and in October of the same year joined the Itinerant ranks in the Holston Conference, of which he remained a member until his death.

In 1842 he was united in marriage with Miss Emma Haynes, who with six sons and three daughters, survives him, one son, Robert L., being the present Governor of Tennessee.

In person, voice, manner, intellect, imagination and ready command of language Dr. Taylor was almost an ideal orator. In the pulpit or on the platform he had few peers.

He was as simple and sincere, as generous and noble as he was great. Indeed these were conspicuous elements of his greatness. In the most heated political contests he was always fair and magnanimous, bearing defeat without resentment, and

wearing the honors of victory so graciously that even his defeated antagonists could not but admire and love him.

But no brief obituary notice can do justice to the splendid abilities and virtues of this illustrious man of God.

Only those whose privilege it was to see and hear, and know him can know how really great and good a man he was, but to such the sweet charm of his eloquence and of his manly and beautiful Christian character will linger as a lovely, soul-inspiring vision as long as life and memory last.

During his later years, when he was evidently and consciously walking near the border line of the better land, his religious experiences were very deep and rich, and his preaching was with great fervor and power. Death to him came with no surprise and no terror. He was fully ready and looked forward to his release with most rapturous delight.

He died at his home in the bosom of his family, April 1st, 1887, in the 68th year of his age.

His last words, addressed to his children, were :

"Take care of mama, live in love, do right, die in peace."

How characteristic of the man—simple, tender, beautiful!

J. J. MANKER.
Chairman.

RESOLUTIONS.

METHODIST ADVOCATE.

WHEREAS, The *Methodist Advocate*, published at Chattanooga, Tenn., by Rev. T. C. Carter, D.D., has from the beginning done for our local church-work, service which were gard as contributing largely to our success, and

WHEREAS, It is published without any financial responsibility on the part of the Conference, or the Church at large,

Resolved, That we will endeavor to increase its circulation among our people throughout the entire South.

J. S. PETTY,
R. J. COOKE.

SOUTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE.

Resolved, That we appreciate the visit of Dr. A. E. R. Albert to this Conference, and reciprocate the sentiments expressed by him in favor of cultivating a broader knowledge of the various departments of our Southern work. We commend the *Southwestern Christian Advocate*, and advise that, so far as possible, our ministers and members subscribe for and read the same.

J. S. PETTY,
R. J. COOKE.

SOUTHLAND READING CIRCLE.

WHEREAS, Dr. J. H. Vincent has organized the *Southland Reading Circle*, an institution for the mental improvement of our people in this territory,

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the movement, and pledge ourselves to organize "circles" if possible on our charges.

T. C. CARTER,
L. B. CALDWELL,
T. B. RUSSELL.

BISHOP ANDREWS.

We hereby express our satisfaction and delight with the visit of Bishop Andrews to this session of our Conference. The able and impartial manner in which he conducted the business of the Conference, his splendid addresses, his manifest sympathy in our work, and his earnest and able sermon on Sunday have won all hearts, and we cordially invite him to visit us again.

J. F. SPENCE,
THOS. B. RUSSELL.

DR. J. H. VINCENT.

Resolved, that we highly appreciate the visit of the Rev. Dr. Vincent, Secretary of the Sunday School Union, to our Conference. We have been impressed with his earnest, thoughtful and eloquent words, and pray for his success in the many agencies of church work committed to his care.

R. J. COOKE.

REV. DR. STOWE.

Resolved, That we express our thanks to Dr. Stowe for his visit among us, and for his words of cheer, and for his most excellent address.

J. A. NICHOLSON,
J. J. MANKER.

REV. THOMAS B. RUSSELL.

WHEREAS, The Rev. Thomas B. Russell has acted as Secretary of this Conference the past four years and has greatly endeared himself to his brethren by the efficiency and promptness with which he has performed the duties of his office, therefore,

Resolved, That we highly appreciate the excellent services of Brother Russell, and hereby return him our sincere thanks for the onerous work which he has so faithfully performed.

T. C. CARTER,
J. W. MANN.

MISSIONARIES TO JAPAN.

WHEREAS, The Rev. Dr. C. S. Long is about to depart again for our mission fields in Japan, where he has already done a noble work for the Lord Jesus and humanity, wherefore be it

Resolved, That we assure him of our love for him, and of our deep interest in his work and the welfare of himself and family, earnestly praying Almighty God that he may be successful in his endeavors, and that we may be permitted to greet him in our midst again in the years to come.

We also pray God's blessing upon Dr. D. N. McInturff and wife, who accompany Dr. Long to the Japan Mission. May the Great Head of the Church be their Rock and Mighty Helper.

R. J. COOKE,
J. J. MANKER,
T. C. CARTER,

REV. J. A. RUBLE AND FAMILY.

Resolved, That we, the members of the Holston Annual Conference, deeply sympathize with our worthy Brother and fellow-laborer, Rev. J. A. Ruble, and his family, in their deep sorrow, in consequence of the removal of a dear child from their embrace by death.

T. S. WALKER,
T. C. CARTER.

CITIZENS OF KNOXVILLE.

1. *Resolved*, That we gratefully acknowledge the generous hospitality of the members of our Church and the Citizens of Knoxville who have so kindly welcomed us to their beautiful homes.

2. *Resolved*, That we invoke the blessing of the Divine Father upon the families who have contributed so greatly to our comfort and enjoyment at the present session of the Conference.

3. *Resolved*, That we would make special mention of our appreciation of the elegant floral decoration provided by the ladies of this Church.

4. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our hearty appreciation of the labors of Rev. I. A. Pearce for the very complete and satisfactory manner in which he has provided for the entertainment of the Conference.

J. A. RUBLE,
J. F. SPENCE.

REV. D. B. LAWTON.

WHEREAS, Rev. D. B. Lawton, a member of the Holston Conference, having served in the active ministry for over half a century, and

WHEREAS, His age and declining health demand a milder climate. and he expects to remove to the State of Florida, therefore,

Resolved, That we commend Bro. Lawton to the Christian sympathies of all those among whom his lot may be cast—praying that the Divine Father may deal tenderly with him in this the evening of his life.

J. F. SPENCE,
J. W. MANN.

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Bapt'ms		CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Prop.
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.												
Athens,	10	112	6	1	1	2	1	3000				
Athens Circuit,	75	437	1				7	3000				
Blue Spring,	51	258	2	3	6	4	3	1300				
Chatata,	13	375	2	4	5	2	8	6600	1	250	2000	
Chattanooga, 1st Church	8	340		1	4	12	1	60000				
" St. Elmo	10	16										
" Cameron Hill	10	16										
" Mission Ridge	15	47			2	2	1	1700			100	
" Montgomery ave	13	67	4	2		6	1	10640			340	
Cleveland,	2	120	1	4		7	2	5000	1	800	1000	
Cleveland Circuit,	28	376	4	12	3	11	7	5000				75
Decatur,	33	400	3	4	3	20	4	1000	1	250	150	
Ducktown,	14	195		4	2	5	5	5000				
Madisonville,	15	400	3	2	11	6	5	2800			35	
Ooltewah,	20	186	3	6	8	10					100	
Sewee,	36	167	1				7	2000				
Total	353	3512	30	43	45	87	52	107040	3	1300	3725	75
GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.												
Elizabethton,	25	125		3	6	18	1	4000			200	
Ervin,	106	323	2	7	10	62	2	1800			1000	
Fall Branch,	40	470	3	6	2		6	6500			600	
Fullen's,	20	674	3	4	20	6	9	11600	1	1000		
Greeneville,	7	120			1	1	1	5000	1	2000	80	
Greeneville Circuit,	45	520	4	6	20	7	9	12100			100	20
Johnson City & Roan Mt.	7	201	2	2	2	10	2	4000				17
Jonesborough,	15	401	3				3	3500				
Kingsport,	15	335	2	7	3		5	4200	1	800		
Oakland,	30	405	2	5	3	2	5	3500	1	630	30	
Taylorsville,	45	350			12	4	3	6000	1	400	400	
Van Hill,	25	156	1			5	2	1600				
Watauga,	13	261	3	2		14	2	2000				
Total.	393	4541	25	42	79	129	50	65800	5	4830	2410	37
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.												
Emert,	51	188	1	1		1	4	1000			100	
Fair Garden,	90	549	5	4		25	7	4000				
Knox Circuit,	30	406	2	3	4	14	5	4000				
Knoxville, Clinch Street	24	290	3	3	7	1	1	36000				
" Asylum Street		111	1		1		1	6000				
Little River,	10	240	1	6		20	5	1000				
Loudon,	35	210	1	1		14	3	4500				
Loveville,	5	337	1	4	4	2	5	3000				
Maryville,	60	510		5	20	30	5	5000				
New Market,	30	442	3	5	10	5	3	4000	1	300		40
Newport,	54	228	5	2	3	51	2	800				
New Salem,	37	315	1	4	4	3	4	6000	1	400	400	
Sevierville,	60	608	3	9	13	16	7	8950	1	1000	600	100
Thorn Grove,	59	380	3	6	5	10	3	2400	1	350		
Total	545	4814	30	53	71	192	55	86650	4	2050	1100	140

Present indebtedness on Church Property	Sunday Schools. Current expenses, sexton, light, fuel, etc.,	Sunday Schools. No. of Schools	Sunday Schools. No. Officers & Teach's	Sunday Schools. No. of Scholars of all ages	BENEVOLENT COLLECTIONS. For Missions. From Churches	For Missions. From S. S.	For Missions. Total	For Bo'd of Ch'rch Ex	For S. S. Union	For Tract Society	For Freedmen's Aid So	For Education Society	For American Bible Society	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	For Woman's Home Missionary Society	Ministerial Support For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishop	For Conference Claimants	Other Collections
....	50	1	17	141	15	21	36	2	1	1	3	..	....	....	....	279	5	2
....	....	5	25	225	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	258	2	....
....	....	3	15	130	2	1	3	1	..	..	..	1	....	....	....	105	2	....
....	....	6	36	300	31	..	31	8	1	..	..	1	1	1	..	386	1	....
....	600	1	25	300	150	25	175	30	10	5	33	5	12	20	5	1975	13	30
....	....	..	..	....	....	....	....	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	....	....	....
....	....	1	12	60	10	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	243	....	....
100	5	1	8	40	10	1	11	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	92	....	....
3000	12	1	12	85	5	5	10	5	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	265	....	....
....	125	2	16	140	17	8	25	5	..	..	1	1	....	2	....	501	2	10
....	....	7	20	300	36	4	40	5	..	..	..	1	....	....	....	315	3	....
....	....	5	25	300	..	7	7	4	1	1	..	1	1	....	....	235	1	....
....	25	2	14	114	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	235	....	....
....	....	5	15	300	2	2	4	5	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	88	1	....
....	5	2	16	100	10	..	10	5	..	..	1	..	....	....	....	153	3	....
....	....	3	12	150	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	125	....	....
3100	822	45	268	2685	294	74	368	70	13	7	38	10	14	23	5	5209	33	42
15	20	1	7	75	4	..	4	1	1	1	..	1	....	....	....	201	1	....
..	6	3	15	105	8	..	8	2	..	..	..	..	....	1	....	168	2	....
..	..	4	50	425	5	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	242	1	3
600	27	6	50	550	8	2	10	2	1	1	2	2	1	1	5	627	....	5
....	100	1	14	125	5	7	12	3	..	..	..	5	....	....	....	508	3	....
....	100	8	63	635	5	7	12	4	3	1	..	..	1	34	....	335	3	....
275	60	3	30	200	9	16	25	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	384	5	....
....	....	3	28	190	2	..	2	1	..	..	..	1	....	....	....	169	1	....
200	..	4	19	180	1	3	4	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	238	....	....
....	8	6	37	213	7	..	7	3	..	..	1	..	....	....	....	370	2	....
1200	25	2	10	160	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	281	....	....
....	....	1	5	40	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	73	....	....
150	....	1	4	60	7	..	7	1	1	..	..	..	2	1	....	218	2	....
2440	346	43	332	2958	65	35	100	19	7	4	4	10	5	38	6	3814	20	8
....	....	3	25	60	3	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	81	....	....
....	....	4	15	200	7	..	7	2	..	..	..	..	....	....	....	243	3	....
....	....	5	30	200	40	..	40	5	2	1	3	2	2	2	....	366	3	....
....	300	1	18	200	51	93	144	22	5	5	5	31	5	30	....	1607	34	....
....	120	1	12	175	15	10	25	1	1	1	1	1	....	....	....	215	1	....
....	....	4	20	150	18	..	18	10	1	1	1	1	2	1	....	196	6	....
200	....	5	30	250	12	..	12	1	1	1	..	..	....	....	....	282	4	....
..	....	2	17	126	11	9	20	2	1	..	..	1	....	1	....	317	3	....
....	....	5	36	400	30	2	32	3	1	1	2	1	15	69	....	782	9	....
....	25	4	36	240	20	20	40	2	1	1	1	..	1	....	....	396	1	....
....	....	2	10	125	13	..	13	1	..	..	..	..	....	3	....	230	....	....
....	50	3	20	200	25	20	45	10	1	1	1	1	1	2	....	396	5	....
....	40	3	30	250	8	12	20	2	1	1	1	....	....	5	....	427	3	....
....	....	5	30	300	....	13	13	1	..	1	..	..	....	....	....	287	5	....
200	535	47	329	2876	253	179	432	62	15	14	15	39	26	113	....	5825	77	....

NAMES OF CHARGES.	Membership.				Bapt'ms		CHURCH PROPERTY.					
	No. of Probationers	No. of Full Members	No. of Local Preachers	No. of Deaths	No. Children Baptized	No. of Adults Baptized	No. of Churches	Probable Value	No. of Parsonages	Probable Value	Paid for building and improving Churches and Parsonages	Paid on old indebtedness on Church Prop.
KINGSTON DISTRICT.												
Boatland,	19	127	6	1	5	14						
Crossville,	30	198	2	2	7	16	2	750	1	450	415	
Dayton,		43	1		2		1	3000	1	800	2000	
Graysville,	35	272	2	2	1		2	1000	2	400		
Hamilton,	30	291	3	3		1	5	3500	1	150	750	75
Hill City,												
Jamestown,	31	268	2		7	26	5	1450			100	
Jasper,	11	160	1	2	2	1	2	1600	1	250		
Kingston,	25	103		4	5	12	1	600				
Kingston Circuit,	76	382	3			16	4	1000				
New River,	43	177	1	4	5	21						
Oliver Springs,	24	85	1	5	1	8	1	300				
Pikeville,	30	133	1	3	6	20	2	700	1	200		
Rockwood.	27	68			5	10			1	400	100	
Scarborough.	40	160				12	6	2000	1	300		
South Pittsburg,	15	83	2		1	12	1	900			5	
Spring City,	6	72	2	1			1	1800			200	
Sunbright and Oakdale,	32	195	3		2	14	4	1200				
Tracy City,	53	77	2	1	3	8						
Tracy City Circuit,												
Walden's Ridge Circuit,	6	117		2	2	9						
Wolf River,	37	306					2	1000				
Total,	561	3317	32	30	54	200	39	20800	9	2950	3570	75
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.												
Big Valley,	54	314	5	4	4	27	1	1400				
Clinton,	28	328	4	6		13	5	2550				50
Coal Creek & Newcomb,	14	120		1	15	5	2	2000				
Fincastle,	53	306	2	3	11	8	5	7300	1	300		
Maynardsville.	25	250	2	2	10	5	4	800				
Morristown,	7	45	1	1	2		1	4000				1200
Morristown Circuit,	10	194	2	4	4	8	4	3300	1	200		
Panther Springs,	2	200	1	1	3		4	1500				
Parrottsville,	54	330	1	3	2	27	5	4200				
Rogersville,	84	350	1	6	10	10	4	3800			75	
Rutledge,	41	508	4	3	2	31	6	3500				
Sneedville,	79	311	4	8	4	7	7	2770			500	
Speedwell,	16	323	1	3	12	25	4	2250				
Tazewell,	65	450	5	20	20	20	4	1200			425	
Total,	532	4029	33	65	99	186	56	40570	2	500	1000	1250
RECAPITULATION.												
Chattanooga District,	353	3512	30	43	45	87	52	107040	3	1300	3725	75
Greeneville District,	393	4541	25	42	79	129	50	65800	5	4830	2410	37
Kingston District,	561	3317	32	30	54	200	39	20800	9	2950	3570	75
Knoxville District.	545	4814	30	53	71	192	55	86650	4	2050	1100	140
Morristown District,	532	4029	33	65	99	186	56	40570	2	500	1000	1250
Grand Total,	2384	20213	150	233	348	794	252	320360	23	11630	11805	1577
Grand Total last year,	2692	18833	142	185	420	989	229	285850	21	10565	29031	980

Present indebtedness on Church Property	Current expenses, sexton, light, fuel, etc.,	Sunday Schools: No. of Schools	Sunday Schools: No. Officers & Teach's	Sunday Schools: No. of Scholars of all ages	Benevolent Collections: For Missions: From Churches	For Missions: From S. S.	For Missions: Total	For Bo'd of Ch'rch Ex	For S. S. Union	For Tract Society	For Freedmen's Aid So	For Education	For American Bible Society	For Woman's Foreign Missionary Society	For Woman's Home Missionary Society	Ministerial Support: For Pastor, Presiding Elder and Bishop	For Conference Claimants	Other Collections
																32		
85		5	26	159	14		14	5		1						275		
1500	200	1	14	150												415		
100	25	4	35	100	20		20	4								291	1	
	10	3	8	100	10		10	3					1	1		257	5	
	30	6	42	300	10		10	2	1							179	2	
	5	3	25	150	5		5									198	8	
	50	1	12	100	8		8				7					565		
		7	30	250												224		
					15		15	1								152	1	
		2	15	50	2	3	5	3								200	2	
		5	40	212	6		6	2	1	1						181	2	
		1	8	60	5		5	2								336	1	
250		5	40	300	1		1									120		
		1	6	45	10		10	5								147	2	
	50	2	8	175	5		5	2				3				225		
	40	3	15	140	10		10	2		1	1	1	1	1		321	2	
		1	13	140	1		1	1								216	1	
	10	2	20	80	5		5	2								201	2	
		1	6	120														
1935	420	53	363	2661	127	3	130	34	2	3	1	11	2	2		4535	29	
		3	20	250	3		3									126		
75	10	7	28	320	8	2	10	5	2	1		1	2			206	1	
		1	6	85	11		11	2			1	1	1			103	1	
	100	5	36	383	18	2	20	10	1	1	1	7	1	4		142	5	2
		2	10	80												75		
1400	50	1	9	50	2	3	5	2						1		219	2	44
		3	11	75	4		4			1			8			96		
	15	4	16	100	5		5		1							93	1	
	20	5	20	200	8		8	1	1		1					290	1	
	25	5	40	320	5	5	10	2	1	1				1	1	144	2	
	8	6	35	220	7		7	3								135		
		2	12	70	5		5									148		
		4	25	188	5		5	2	1							112	1	
		3	20	250	4		3	1	1							120		
1475	228	51	288	2591	85	12	97	28	8	4		9	12	6	1	2009	14	46
3100	822	45	268	2685	294	74	368	70	13	7	38	10	14	23	5	5209	33	42
2440	346	43	332	2958	65	35	100	19	7	4	4	10	5	38	6	3814	20	8
1935	420	53	363	2661	127	3	130	34	2	3	1	11	2	2		4535	29	
200	535	47	329	2876	253	179	432	62	15	14	15	39	26	113		5825	77	
1475	228	51	288	2591	85	12	97	28	8	4	3	9	12	6	1	2009	14	46
9150	2357	239	1580	13771	824	303	1127	213	45	32	61	79	59	182	12	21392	173	96
5028	1067	192	1359	11163	769	176	945	164	39	43	94	84	25	83	4	15482	167	52

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NAME OF CHARGE.	NAME OF PASTOR.	MINISTERIAL SUPPORT. Pastors. Claims, including ho. rent or rental val. of parson's	Pastors. Receipts, including ho. rent or rental val. of parson's	Pastors. Deficiencies,	Presiding Elders. Apportioned,	Presiding Elders. Paid,	Bishops. Apportioned,	Bishops. Paid,	Con. Claimants Apportioned,	Con. Claimants Paid,
CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.										
Athens,	Supplied,	500	235	265	40	42	2	2	5	5
Athens Circuit,	R. S. Sampson,	500	225	275	60	33				2
Blue Spring,	H. H. Burk,	260	75	185	32	29	2	1	5	2
Chatata,	W. C. Miller,	425	325	100	60	60	3	1	12	1
Chattanooga First Church,	T. C. Warner.	1860	1860		100	100	15	15	13	13
" Cameron Hill,	Supply, J. S. Jones,		230		40	13				
" Mission Ridge,	R. M. Marshal,	75	65	10	20	27				
" Montgomery Avenue,	I. H. Miller,	450	240	210	25	25				
Cleveland,	R. J. Cooke,	460	460		40	40		1	6	2
Cleveland Circuit,	J. F. Perry,	400	277	123	50	36	2	2	5	3
Decatur,	J. F. M. Duggan,	325	212	113	32	22	1		5	1
Ducktown,	W. D. Smith,	400	70	330	32	18	1		4	
Madisonville,	G. M. Stone,	365	167	198	28	22	4		5	1
Ooltewah,	Supply, J. Swiney,	152	119	33	32	33	1	1	3	3
Sewee,	Supply, J. C. Harmon,	150	103	47	32	22				
Total,		6322	4663	1889	623	522	31	23	63	33
GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.										
Elizabethton and Hampton,	G. B. Cox,	300	175	125	25	25	3	1	4	1
Ervin,	Supply, F. H. Little,	160	137	23	30	30	5	1	5	2
Fall Branch,	Benjamin Crist,	400	190	210	50	50	3	2	4	1
Fullens,	E. B. Clark,	600	575	25	60	50		2		5
Greeneville,	F. G. Mellor,	465	465		40	40		3		3
Greeneville Circuit,	T. H. Hodge,	450	290	160	50	42	4	3	5	3
Johnson City & Roan Mountain,	S. G. Ketron,	420	322	98	60	60	4	2	10	5
Jonesborough,	Supplied,	250	134	116	40	34		1		1
Kingsport,	J. H. Jennings,	400	200	200	50	38				
Oakland,	T. S. Walker,	450	325	125	50	43	4	2	5	2
Taylorsville,	Supply, A. Bunn,	375	231	144	50	50	4		4	
Van Hill,	W. R. Byerly,	125	48	77	25	25	2		2	
Watauga,	M. Seaton,	244	192	52	30	25	4	1	6	2
Total,		4639	3284	1355	560	512	33	18	45	25
KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.										
Emert,	A. M. Rose,	115	65	50	20	16				
Fair Garden,	R. C. Robertson,	315	203	112	40	40				3
Knox Circuit,	W. C. Daily,	400	313	87	50	50	3	3	3	3
Knoxville First Church,	I. A. Pearce,	1500	1500		100	100		7	20	34
" Asylum Street,	J. W. Holden,	200	185	15	30	30				1
Little River,	P. H. Henry,	270	170	100	30	24	4	2	8	6
London,	J. A. Nicholson,	400	250	150	40	31		1		4
Loveville,	J. M. Durham,	350	274	76	40	40	2	3	5	3
Maryville,	Supplied,	800	703	97	75	75	4	4	10	9
New Market,	W. T. Senter,	400	350	50	50	45		1		1
Newport,	C. O. Jones,	250	200	50	30	30	2		4	
New Salem,	M. A. Rule,	420	351	69	50	42	3	3	10	5
Sevierville,	J. A. Baker,	400	362	38	70	63		2		3
Thorn Grove,	R. O. Ayres,	335	235	100	50	50		2		5
Total,		6155	5161	994	675	636	18	28	65	77

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KINGSTON DISTRICT.										
Boatland,	S'ply, J. J. Krichbaum,		22		20	10				
Crossville,	S. B. Scott,	300	240	60	35	35	10		2	
Dayton,	J. D. Drake,	400	400		35	15	5		5	
Graysville,	A. E. Barnes,	360	271	89	35	20				1
Hamilton,	Supplied,	216	216		40	40	2	1	8	5
Hill City,	S. Haskins,									
Jamestown,	A. C. Peters,	255	160	95	35	19	2		4	2
Jasper,	D. Richardson,	390	167	133	30	30	2	1	8	2
Kingston,	J. C. Wright,	525	525		40	40				
Kingston Circuit,	J. B. Seaton,	300	194	106	35	30				
New River,	A. B. Wright,	200	122	78	30	30				1
Oliver Spring,	J. N. Kendall,	300	170	130	35	30	1		4	2
Pikeville,	W. R. Long.	250	150	100	30	30	1	1	3	2
Rockwood,	W. T. Jones,	350	300	50	40	36				
Scarborough,	Supplied,	200	110	90	20	10				
South Pittsburg,	J. M. McGee,	250	125	125	35	22				2
Spring City,	M. H. Monroe,	300	200	100	35	24	1	1		
Sunbright and Oakdale,	T. H. Russell,	300	300		30	20		1		2
Tracy City,	Supply, J. S. Albright,	300	186	114	35	30				1
Tracy City Circuit,	Supply, J. H. Morton,									
Walden's Ridge Circuit,	Supplied,	200	180	20	20	20	1	1	4	2
Wolf River,	Supply, A. B. Hale,									
Total,		5306	4038	1290	615	491	25	6	38	22
MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.										
Big Valley,	A. G. Cadle,	200	94	106	30	31	3	1		
Clinton,	Supplied,	254	176	78	30	30				1
Coal Creek and Newcomb,	J. B. Little,	200	81	119	30	21		1		1
Fincastle,	J. H. Amis,	300	119	181	30	21	3	2	8	5
Maynardsville,	W. Kinsland,	270	70	100	20	5				
Morristown,	J. S. Petty,	200	200		20	18	1	1		2
Morristown Circuit,	M. M. Murrell,	180	81	99	25	15	3		2	
Panther Springs,	P. H. Reed,	200	75	125	25	17		1		1
Parrottsville,	J. L. Cardwell,	300	258	42	40	30		2		1
Rogersville,	G. W. Jarvis,	320	127	193	40	16	3	1	5	2
Rutledge,	J. L. McKenzie.	200	113	87	30	22	4		3	
Sneedville,	Supply, G. M. Hicks,	180	123	57	25	25	6		3	
Speedwell,	S. Greer,	200	100	100	20	10	3	2		1
Tazewell,	Supply, A. Y. Snavely,	160	98	62	25	22				
Total,		3164	1715	1449	390	283	26	11	28	14
RECAPITULATION.										
Chattanooga District,		6322	4663	1889	623	522	31	23	63	33
Greeneville District,		4639	3284	1355	560	512	33	18	45	25
Kingsten District,		5306	4038	1290	615	491	25	6	38	22
Knoxville District,		6155	5161	994	675	636	18	28	65	77
Morristown District,		3164	1715	1449	390	283	26	11	28	14
Grand Total,		25586	18861	6977	2863	2444	133	86	239	171

APPENDIX.

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SESSIONS OF THE HOLSTON CONFERENCE.

YEAR	TIME.	PLACE.	BISHOP.	SECRETARY.
1865	July 5.	Athens.	D. W. Clark.	J. F. Spence.
1866	May 17.	Greeneville.	D. W. Clark.	J. F. Spence.
1867	October 3.	Knoxville.	C. Kingsley.	J. F. Spence.
1868	October 8.	Chattanooga.	D. W. Clark.	J. F. Spence.
1869	October 7.	Jonesboro.	M. Simpson.	J. F. Spence.
1870	October 3.	Knoxville.	L. Scott.	J. J. Manker.
1871	October 11.	Greeneville.	L. Scott.	J. J. Manker.
1872	October 2.	Cleveland.	S. M. Merrill.	J. J. Manker.
1873	October 1.	Knoxville.	G. Haven.	J. J. Manker.
1874	September 30.	Chattanooga.	E. G. Andrews.	J. J. Manker.
1875	September 29.	Greeneville.	T. Bowman.	J. J. Manker.
1876	October 4.	Kingston.	L. Scott.	J. J. Manker.
1877	September 27.	Knoxville.	W. L. Harris.	J. J. Manker.
1878	October 2.	New Market.	L. Scott.	J. J. Manker.
1879	October 15.	Knoxville.	I. W. Wiley.	J. J. Manker.
1880	October 20.	Greeneville.	E. O. Haven.	J. D. Boberson.
1881	October 20.	Maryville.	E. G. Andrews.	J. S. Hill.
1882	October 19.	Chattanooga.	M. Simpson.	"
1883	October 17.	Knoxville.	T. Bowman.	"
1884	October 16.	Greeneville.	H. W. Warren.	T. B. Russell.
1885	October 15.	Johnson City.	J. F. Hurst.	"
1886	October 21.	Athens.	W. F. Mallalieu.	"
1887	October 12.	Knoxville.	E. G. Andrews.	"

LOCAL PREACHERS.

CHATTANOOGA DISTRICT.

ELDERS.

A. F. Shannon, McDonald's, Tenn.
W. A. Clark, Clio, Tenn.
S. W. Lee, Birchwood, Tenn.
M. D. Thompson, Chattanooga, Tenn.
M. W. Benton, Chattanooga, Tenn.
D. Bearer, McMinn Co., Tenn.
John Butram, McMinn Co., Tenn.
Isam Julian, Chatata, Tenn.
Daniel Carpenter, ————.

DEACONS.

Murphy Vaughn, McMinn Co., Tenn.
James H. Louery, Riceville, Tenn.
James Carden, Chatata, Tenn.
P.L. Chambers, Clevel and, Tenn.
Wm. Humphrey, Cleveland, Tenn.
Elias Padget, Ooltewah, Tenn.
John Swiney, Ooltewah, Tenn.
J. F. M. Duggan, Epperson, Tenn.

PREACHERS.

Wm. Sliger, Knoxville, Tenn.
John Moody.
Burrell Baker, Long's Mills, Tenn.
B. W. Padget, Ooltewah, Tenn.
John Luinney, Ooltewah, Tenn.
E. O. Hunt, Chattanooga, Tenn.
Wm. Witt, Madisonville, Tenn.

GREENEVILLE DISTRICT.

ELDERS.

Absalom Bunn, Arcadia, Tenn.
David P. Hunt, Johnson City, Tenn.
Charles E. Johnson, Johnson City, Tenn.
John Mahoney, Milburnton, Tenn.
E. Stockbridge, Greeneville, Tenn.
David J. White, Ervin, Tenn.

DEACONS.

Jacob P. Easterly, Little Chucky, Tenn.
Abraham P. Hart, Johnson City, Tenn.
Dutton Hood, Clover Bottom, Tenn.
Joshua Linebaugh, Laurel Gap, Tenn.
F. H. Little, Johnson, City, Tenn.
D. A. Thompson, Jonesboro, Tenn.
John B. Walker, Greeneville, Tenn.
Joel Wren, Parrottsville, Tenn.
W. M. Christian, Johnson City, Tenn.
W. H. Cox, Jonesboro, Tenn.

PREACHER.

John M. Bales, Laurel Gap, Tenn.
A. Ballew.
Z. J. Croy.
Wm. R. McNeese, Carter's Depot, Tenn.
T. W. Matney, Jr., Athens, Tenn.
W. G. Burgner, Horse Creek, Tenn.
Wm. H. DePue, Clover Bottom, Tenn.
S. M. Johnson, Telford Tenn.
J. S. Wilhoit, Henshaws, Tenn.
K. C. Newland, Taylorsville, Tenn.
David J. Nelson, Jonesboro, Tenn.
D. K. Painter, Horse Creek, Tenn.
R. D. Tucker, Myres, Tenn.
W. E. Morrell, Carter's Depot, Tenn.
Robert Sleagle, Carter's Depot, Tenn.

KINGSTON DISTRICT.

ELDERS.

W. P. Lowery.
S. W. Williams.
C. J. Crotts, Big Lick, Tenn.
S. M. Tate.

DEACONS.

J. J. Kirchbaum.
Henry Jones.
A. L. Williams.
J. G. Tate.
J. J. Morton.
J. W. Peace, Grayville, Tenn.
J. W. Burnett.
M. H. Koon.

PREACHERS.

——— Brazewell.
——— Johnston.
Francis Kirby.
James McCart, Wartburg, Tenn.
Henry McCart, " "
Lewis Mozier, Sunbright, Tenn.
Robert Rainsey, Big Lick, Tenn.
J. C. Young.
Z. Banes.
R. T. Dykes.
Jesse Brown, Fair Mount, Tenn.
J. H. Rogers, Lakeside, Tenn.
William Pane, Rettro, Tenn.
I. Scoles, Fair Mount, Tenn.
F. Vandegriff, Red Bank, Tenn.
John Hamilton, Darwin, Tenn.

KNOXVILLE DISTRICT.

ELDERS.

J. W. Dinkins, Walden's Creek, Tenn.
John Cox, Mount's Cross Roads, Tenn.
Horatio B. Ogle, Pigeon Forge, Tenn.
Hugh J. Henry, Ellajoy, Tenn.
Thos. P. Rutherford, House Mountain, Tenn.

DEACONS.

John N. Troller, Walden's Creek, Tenn.
Wm. H. Free, Newport, Tenn.
Jacob H. Massey, Newport Tenn.
John T. Miller, Knoxville, Tenn.
George Broome, Knoxville, Tenn.
Martin V. Barnett, Flat Gap, Tenn.
James R. Crank, New Market, Tenn.
Wm. K. Leeper, Strawberry Plains, Tenn.
Thomas Caton, Sutton, Tenn.
John W. Killian, Cosby, Tenn.
Joseph H. Hill, Shady Grove, Tenn.
John I. A. Parker, River Dale, Tenn.

PREACHERS.

John Trevana, Pigeon Forge, Tenn,
Giles B. Caton, Richardson's Cove, Tenn.
Harden J. Cooley, Knoxville, Tenn.
John W. Nelson, Knoxville, Tenn.
Wm. G. Sliger, Knoxville, Tenn.
Louis M. Wills, New Market, Tenn.
Wm. J. M. Maskell, Knoxville, Tenn.
James M. Roberts, Chumba, Tenn.
Montravelli C. Aleridge, Knoxville. Tenn.
John W. Lindsey, Emert, Tenn.
Joseph S. Strange, Tryon, Tenn.
Wm. S. McAndrew, Chestnut Hill, Tenn.
Eli A. Holbert, Shrader, Tenn.
Geo. W. Clendennen, Allensville, Tenn.
John Burchfiel, Sandy Ridge, Tenn,
Henry J. Hamilton, Bell's, Tenn.
Andrew Parker, River Dale, Tenn.
Arby Fish, Sutton, Tenn.

MORRISTOWN DISTRICT.

ELDERS.

P. F. Mountain, Head of Barren, Claiborne county, Tenn.
J. C. Brown, Rogersville, Hawkins county, Tenn.
Westley M. Cline, Rogersville, Hawkins county, Tenn.
Alfred Suffrage, Elm Spring, Tenn.

DEACONS.

J. G. Palmer, Little Barren, Union co., Tenn.
Asa Brogan, Little Barren, Union co., Tenn.
Alvis Brogan, Little Barren, Union co., Tenn.
Wm. Crutchfield, Tazewell, Claiborne county, Tenn.
N. M. Baldwin, Tazewell, Claiborne co., Tenn.
T. McNemara, Butcher's Springs, Claiborne co., Tenn.
A. Y. Snavely, Bale's Mills, Lee county Va.
James Snavely, Alanthus Hill, Hancock co., Tenn.
J. R. Crank, Speedwell, Claiborne co., Tenn.
J. D. Brooks, Clinch, Hancock co., Tenn.
J. Q. A. Stephens, New Canton, Hawkins co., Tenn.
James Combs, May Spring, Grainger co., Tenn.
F. M. Hinds, Bayless, Union co., Tenn.
J. T. Brandham, Jacksboro, Campbell co., Tenn.
E. J. Hyatt, Whitesburg, Hamblen co.,
Wm. H. Harrison, Morristown, Hamblen co., Tenn.
Thomas A. Davis, Kansas, Jeffersen co., Tenn.

PREACHERS.

Wm. Loy, Loy's Cross Roads, Union co., Tenn.
Alvis Craig, Loy's Cross Roads, Union co., Tenn.
E. Walker.
Steward Snavely, Cedar Fork, Claiborne co., Tenn.
C. Y. Chapman, Rose Hill, Lee co., Va.
John F. Snavely, Alanthus Hill, Hancock co., Tenn.
J. W Yeary, Bale's Mills, Lee co., Va.
James Davis, War Gap, Hawkins county, Tenn.
Robert Hurley, Sneedville, Tenn.
Thomas B. Clark. Sneedville, Tenn.
J. Easley, Spring House, Tenn.
G. W. Shaver, Rutledge, Tenn.
J. Griffans, Spring House, Tenn.
Ayariah Dalton, Thorn Hill, Tenn.
Perry W. Slockley, Thorn Hill, Tenn,
James Young Mary Spring, Tenn.

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE.

I certify that this pamphlet contains true copies of the proceedings, reports and resolutions of the twenty-third sesion of the Holston Conference.

THOMAS B. RUSSELL, Secretary,
Jonesborough, Tenn.

Lay Electoral Conference.

The Lay Electoral Conference, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, met in the chapel of the Second Presbyterian Church, in Knoxville, Tennesse, at 10 o'clock a. m., October 14, 1887.

Wiley M. Christian, Secretary of the last Lay Electoral Conference, called the Conference to order.

After singing, prayer was offered by Francis M. Hinds.

On motion, Rudolph A. Brown was chosen temporary Chairman.

On motion, Joseph H. Ketron was chosen temporary Secretary.

A Committee on Credentials,—one from each Presiding Elder's District,—was elected, namely, William A. Wright, Jacob P. Easley, Samuel M. Williams, James A. Goddard, and John Stout.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following

DELEGATES PRESENT:

John W. Adams,	Chattanooga.
J. H. Alberts,	
John W. Allen,	Goodfield.
George A. Bailey,	Laurel Gap.
James H. Bell,	
Rudolph A. Brown,	Knoxville.
William Buttram,	
A. C. E. Callen,	Thorn Grove.
Halbert B. Case,	Chattanooga.
Charles P. Cass,	Johnson City.
Wiley M. Christian,	Johnson City.
John H. Claiborne,	Well Spring.
J. J. Crawford,	Knoxville.
Charles T. P. Davis,	Loudon.
Thomas L. Davis,	Pleasant.
Ellis H. Devaney,	Rockwood.
Jacob P. Easterly,	Little Chucky.
B. O. Everitt,	
Isaac Ford,	
C. B. French,	Kingston.
W. B. French,	
James A. Goddard,	Maryville.
Samuel Harned,	
Hugh J. Henry,	Maryville.
John J. Herbert,	Chattanooga.
George W. Hill,	Dandridge.

Francis M. Hinds, ... Snoderly.
W. D. Humbard, ...
Samuel Hutsell, ... Sewee.
John B. Jacobs, ... Chattanooga.
John T. Jones, ...
M. L. Julian, ... Cleveland.
Joseph H. Ketron, ... Bloomingdale.
William E. Knight, ... Sunbright.
J. P. Knox, ...
Charles McGlothan, ... Knoxville.
Jesse B. Mitchell, ... Sneedville.
Horatio B. Ogle, ... Pigeon Forge.
H. F. Perry, ...
W. H. Peters, ...
Daniel W. Remine, ... Limestone.
James A. Ruble, Sen., ... Concord.
George A. Shirley, ... Lulaville.
J. P. Shults, ...
S. J. Spargo, ... Ducktown.
John Stout, ... Forkdale.
John Swiney, ... Ooltewah.
Arvell Taylor, ... Clinton.
James H. Walker, ... White Horn.
Alfred D. Wexler, ... Fall Branch.
Samuel M. Williams, ... Knoxville.
William A. Wright, ... Athens.
S. P. Young, ...

On motion Rudolph A. Brown was elected President, and Joseph H. Ketron was elected Secretary. William A. Wright was elected Assistant Secretary.

On motion, there was appointed a Committee on Memorials. consisting of Halbert B. Case, Wiley M. Christian, and William A. Wright, to prepare suitable resolutions relating to the death of the Honorable John W. Ramsey, President of the last Lay Electoral Conferenence.

On motion, it was decided to proceed to the election of delegates to the General Conference. Charles McGlothan, Ellis M. Devaney, and W. B. French were appointed tellers.

The first ballot resulted in the election of Wiley M. Christian, First Lay Delegate, and Halbert B. Case, Second Lay Delegate to the General Conference.

The first ballot for Reserve Lay Delegates to the General Conference resulted in the election of George W. Hill and John W. Adams in the order named.

On motion, the Conference adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Conference met at the appointed time, Rudolph A. Brown in the chair.

The minutes of the morning session were approved.

The Committee on Memorials reported as follows, which report was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father, in his good providence, to remove from earth our loved companion, friend, and brother, the Honorable John W. Ramsey, we deem it just and proper, as well our privilege and pleasure, to place upon our minutes an expression of our appreciation of Brother Ramsey as citizen, friend, and Christian gentleman.

We recognize in Brother John W. Ramsey a man of noble moral courage, who dared to stand by the right and uphold the eternal principles of justice and human liberty in times of the most trying ordeal in the history of this country. Such men will go down in history as heroes.

We recognize in him a staunch friend and defender of the Methodist Episcopal Church in its struggle for existence, in a time when moral and physical courage was necessary to preserve our blessed Church from the assaults of countless foes. It was by such men as these that it became possible to resuscitate our Church in this South-land.

We recognize in him a friend of our educational institutions from which have come the band of noble young men and young women who are now holding aloft the glorious banner of Methodism in the South. For these young men and women, he always had a kind word, and he never tired in his labors to advance their interests.

In short, we recognize in our departed brother a high type of Christian gentleman, patriotic citizen, and faithful friend; and in his removal from us by the hand of Providence, we are bereft of a useful and valuable member and associate, whose loss we deeply and sincerely mourn. But bowing to the will of God, in whose hand are the destinies of all, we are resigned to Him, knowing that "He doeth all things well," and living in the hope of a blissfull re-union with our departed brother in the land where dwells our blessed Savior forever.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Lay Electoral Conference be requested to furnish a copy of these expressions to the Chattanooga *Methodist Advocate* for publication, and to submit another copy to the widow of our departed brother.

The following paper on Prohibition, presented by J. T. Jones, was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, The proposed prohibitory amendment to the Constitution of the great State of Tennessee was defeated on the 29th ultimo, but our faith in Prohibition is stronger now than it was before the Prohibition canvas ; and

WHEREAS, It has been fully demonstrated and verified that liquor is the greatest curse of the age ; therefore,

Resolved by this Lay Electoral Conference, That we will use all honorable means to obtain local option by and through the next session of our Legislature, as the people cannot try to amend the Constitution again before 1893.

A collection was taken to aid in publishing the minutes.

Daniel W. Remine presented the following resolution indorsing the *Methodist Adovate*, which resolution was adopted by the Conference :

Resolved, That we indorse the course of the Rev. Thomas C. Carter, D. D., in the publication of the *Methodist Advocate*, and promise him our hearty support and co-operation in the future and recommend our people to sustain him with their means and prayers in his efforts for the right.

The Conference adopted the following resolutions of thanks :

Resolevd, That the thanks of this Conference are hereby tendered to the citizens of Knoxville for their hospitality in opening their doors for the entertainment of the delegates, and also to the Rev. I. A. Pierce for assigning each delegate to a good home.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Lay Conference are due, and are hereby tendered, to the members of the Second Presbyterian Church, for the use of their chapel in which to hold the Conference.

The Conference adjourned with the benediction.

RUDOLPH A. BROWN, President.

JOSEPH H. KETRON, Secretary.